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Examiner: J. Mackey

Group Art Unit: 1722

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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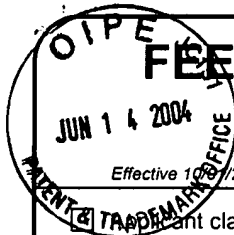
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	35	-41 **	0	0
Independent Claims	4	-3 **	1	86
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1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
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1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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